

TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Hosea Green

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Hosea Green was a Confederate veteran and early settler in the Bear Creek area of northeast Tarrant County, having arrived soon after the War. Descendants have placed a considerable amount of material on him and his family at Ancestry.com.

Hosea Green was born August 1, 1818, at Wartrace, Bedford County, Tennesee, and was a son of Willis Green (1778-1858) and his wife, Katherine Humphreys (1777-1856). Family sources say Willis Green was a soldier in the War of 1812. Hosea's grandfather, Elijah Green (1752-1842) died in the Fairfield area of Bedford County, Tennessee. He was a veteran of the American Revolution, and Hosea doubtless knew him well.

Hosea Green married Rowena Holt in Tennessee about 1839; she was born June 14, 1819 at Wartrace, Bedford County, Tennessee, and was a daughter of Joseph Marion Holt (1787-1854) and his wife, Katherine Kimbro (1797-1852).

Willis Green appears in the Bedford County records as early as 1823 when he described a tract of land on "Dawdy's Creek whereon I now live containing seventy six acres and adjoining the lands of Elijah Holt and Hugh Davidson."

Willis Green appears in the 1830 and 1840 censuses of Bedford County, Tennessee. Hosea grew up within a setting of a large extended family.

Hosea's family is found in District 2 of the 1850 census of Bedford County, Tennesssee. Their family lived in an area of many Holt and Green households, including that of Hosea's parents only four houses away. Hosea did not own any slaves in 1850, but his father owned six.

Hosea Green's family appears in the 1860 census of District 1 Bedford County, Tennessee. He and his family appeared to be comfortably farming in that year, with real estate worth ten thousand dollars and personal property worth five thousand dollars, a sizable portion of which was in five slaves...one young adult woman, two boys, and two girls.

Hosea Green served the Confederacy in Co. I, 23rd Tennessee Infantry. He was mustered in at Camp Trousdale, Tennessee on August 23, 1861, and enlisted for ten months. He is shown as forty years old at the time of enlistment. He is shown present on rolls for October 24 through December 31, 1861 and May through June, 1862. He was discharged at Tupelo, Mississippi on July 27, 1862, having served just over eleven months, as is shown on a regimental roll of payments made to discharged soldiers. He worked for a time as a nurse at Chattanooga, Tennessee in 1862. No further records are found in his file in the National Archives.

Family sources say that Hosea and his family came to northeast Tarrant County, Texas in 1869, and settled on or near the site now occupied by Trinity High School in Euless, Texas.

Hosea and his wife and daughter, Mary A. V. Green, are found in the 1880 census of District 95, Precinct 3, of Tarrant County; this would have been in the portion of Precinct 3 south of Big Bear Creek. A notation was made that Mr. Green was "cripple in" some part of his body. The word appears to be "knee." If this was a long-standing injury, it might explain his service as a nurse during the Civil War. Also living with the family in that year were two grand-daughters, Agnes Parker (born about 1876) and Laura Parker (born about 1879). Their mother must have been Louisa Frances Green, who married Tom Parker, and died in 1878.

Hosea Green died February 11, 1890 in the area of present-day Euless and was buried in Bear Creek Cemetery there. Ten years later when the 1900 census was taken, Mrs. Rowena Green was living in Tarrant County's Precinct 3 with the family of her granddaughter, Laura R. (born in August 1878) and Laura's husband, L. L. Kuntz. This was almost certainly the granddaughter who was living with her and Mr. Green in 1880. She was Laura Rowena Kuntz, who was born August 12, 1878, a daughter of Tom Parker and a Miss Green. Mrs. Kuntz died at Iowa Park, Texas on August 30, 1935.

Mrs. Rowena Green died April 24, 1903 and was buried beside her husband in Bear Creek Cemetery. She and her husband have readable headstones.

Hosea and Rowena Green were the parents of the following children: Sarah C. Green (February 4, 1842-June 4, 1936, married Augustus Foust Scott, and is buried at Bedford, Texas); George W. Green (February 10, 1844-May 16, 1862 at St. Louis, Missouri); Joseph Holt Green (whose biography appears elsewhere in this series), Willis Scoggin Green (December 17, 1848-October 4, 1903 in Coleman County, Texas); Louisa Frances Green (April 25, 1851-September 15, 1878, married Tom Parker); David R. Green (October 14, 1853-June 24, 1854); Mary Ann Green (May 18, 1856-November 126, 1932 in Oklahoma); Emily Jane Green (born December 14, 1859 or 1860, married John McDonald Hicks on November 21, 1878, and died in Fort Worth, Texas on June 24, 1940).



